Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

WHAT IS CLAIMED:

1. (WITHDRAWN): A method allowing a user to remotely manage a one or more power outputs in an information appliance comprising:

providing at least one user interface;

providing individual output current monitoring results;

providing at least one interface allowing a user to independently schedule events for each of said one or more power outputs;

registering user indications to configure and/or change operating states of said outputs;

using microcontroller logic operatively connected to said outputs to change states and/or configurations of said outputs in accordance with said user indications.

2. (WITHDRAWN): The method of claim 1 further wherein:

said at least oneuser interfaces are selected from:

an web-based interface;

a telephone interface;

a telnet interface;

an email interface;

a serial interface; or

an SNMP interface.

3. (WITHDRAWN): The method of claim 2 further wherein:

said telnet interface and/or said serial interface are menu driven text-based interfaces.

4. (WITHDRAWN): The method of claim 1 further comprising:

accepting initial configuration through a direct connection interface; and

subsequently interacting with users through one or more additional interfaces.

5. (WITHDRAWN): The method of claim 1 further comprising:

accepting user indications of a time server;

automatically updating the time using said time server.

6. (WITHDRAWN): The method of claim 1 further comprising:

accepting indications registering one or more non-administrator users;

granting non-administrator users access individually to one or more of said outputs.

7. (ORIGINAL): A smart power manager monitor comprising:

logic circuitry able to execute logic instructions and operatively connected to:

one or more interface connections;

a memory storing logic instructions;

one or more relays each individually controlling one or more power outputs;

one or more current sensors each individually sensing current drawn by one or more outputs; and

an inlet for receiving power from an external source.

8. (ORIGINAL): The device of claim 7 further wherein:

said at least one interface connection is selected from:

a network connection;

a telephone connection; or

a direct serial connection.

9. (ORIGINAL): The device of claim 7 further wherein:

said logic circuitry provides at least one external interface selected from:

an web-based interface;

a telephone interface;

a telnet interface;

an email interface;

a serial interface; or

an SNMP interface.

10. (ORIGINAL): The device of claim 7 further wherein:

said logic circuitry comprises:

a microcontroller.

11. (ORIGINAL): The device of claim 10 further wherein:

said logic circuitry further comprises:

one or more drivers and/or processors for operating said interfaces and/or said outputs.

12. (ORIGINAL): The device of claim 7 further wherein:

said plurality of relays comprise at least two relays each individually controlling one or more power outputs; and

said plurality of current sensors comprise at least two current sensors each individually sensing current drawn from one or more power outputs.

13. (WITHDRAWN): A remotely controlled and/or monitored power source comprising:

a plurality of power output means;

means for monitoring and/or configuring a power output using a direct computer connection;

means for monitoring and/or configuring a power output using a network connection;

means for receiving instructions from one or more users;

means for presenting data to one or more users;

means for individually and accurately sensing current drawn at each said power output means.

14. A method of managing power within an information appliance comprising:

receiving power from an external source at a first connector;

connecting power to one or more controllable relays, said controllable relays providing one or more managed power domains for information appliance components;

providing at least one physical communication interface with power connections outside of said managed power domains; and

executing logic instructions on power management components powered outside of said managed power domains for controlling said relays and communicating on said communication interface.

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method of claim 14 further comprising:

connecting power at said one or more controllable relays to one or more output current monitors, said monitors separately monitoring current use of said power domains; and

executing logic instructions on said power management components to receive current monitoring results and to provide said results to users over said communication interface.

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method of claim 14 further comprising:

providing at least one user interface, said interface executed on logic processing provided by said power management components.

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method of claim 14 further comprising:

providing at least one interface allowing a user to independently schedule events for each of said one or more power outputs;

registering user indications to configure and/or change operating states of said outputs; and

using power management logic operatively connected to said outputs to change states and/or configurations of said outputs in accordance with said user indications.

18. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method of claim 14 further comprising: NOT DISCLOSED

accepting user indications of an available remote network time server; and

automatically updating the time using said time server.

19. (ORIGINAL): The method of claim 14 further comprising:

accepting indications registering one or more non-administrator users;

granting non-administrator users access individually to one or more of said outputs.

20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method of claim 14 further wherein:

said power is received on a main processing board of said appliance ~~system~~ and said controllable relays reside on said main board.

21. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method of claim 14 further wherein:

said power is received on a component board of said appliance ~~system~~ and said controllable relays reside on said component board, said component board having at least one connection to a main board of said system.

22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method of claim 14 further wherein:

said power is received on a component board of said system, said component board providing a plurality of power domains to one or more other boards in said appliance~~system~~.